(*d*) if answer to (*c*) is in the negative, what was the reason for not ordering an audit to ascertain the extent of embezzlement;

(*e*) whether any explanation was called for from officers who were suspected of defalcation; when was that explanation called for; will Government be pleased to print and place on the table of the House a copy of the report referred to in (*a*)?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) On 6th March 1941.

(*c*) to (*e*) The matter is pending enquiry.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether any special or urgent audit was ordered to be conducted on receipt of that report?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether the Finance Department is conducting an audit of the accounts?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* What is the reason for this inordinate delay in making an enquiry on a report which called for urgent action?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* There was no delay at all. The moment the petition was received by Government, the machinery of Government was set in motion to find out the truth or otherwise of the allegations. But it takes a lot of time to go through the various records for a period of five years. That was the reason. Action was immediately taken. There was no delay at all.

APPOINTMENTS IN CENTRAL FARM—CASTE-WAR LIST

3. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to give.—

(*a*) a community-war list of persons who hold permanent posts in the Central Farm, Ollukkara, including the menial staff;

(Note: the classification adopted by the Staff Selection Board need be given)

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(*b*) of the persons given in (*a*) who were appointed after 13th Dhanu 1108 (the date on which the present Director of Agriculture was appointed to his post)?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*)	1.	Nayars	23
	2.	Christians (Romo-Syrian) ..	4
	3.	Ezhuvas	3
	4.	Other Hindus (Backward or Depressed)	
		Ezhuthassan	3
		Veluthedan	1
		Chetty	1
		Parayan	1
	5.	Muslim	1
			37

(*b*) Of the above appointments, 2 Nayars, 2 Christians and 1 Muslim were appointed after the date 13th Dhanu 1108.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Why do you want a Veluthedan in the Farm?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* He is considered to be "backward or depressed".

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know whether Government have issued instructions to the Heads of Departments in the matter of appointments from the year 1108?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I want notice.

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Various orders have been issued that unrepresented communities should be given representation.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know the earliest date of that order?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* In 1109, 1110, all these years we have been reviewing the appointments made by the Heads of Departments and orders have been issued from time to time.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* In answer to (*b*) it is stated: "Of the above appointments, 2 Nayars, 2 Christians and 1 Muslim were appointed after the date 13th Dhanu 1108". Therefores certainly at that time there must have been 21 Nayars, 2 Christian,

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and no Muslim. It is clear from this that even at that time there was an overwhelming number so far as one particular community is concerned.

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* The unfortuate part of it is that there have been no vacancies since then.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* What about these five appointments?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* There have been people whe were acting and they had to be given. With regard to fresh appointments, we have given strict instructions that unrepresented communities should be preferred.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know how many people are there who are still acting?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I want notice.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Not even a single Brahmin is seen appointed here!

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* These appointments are not good enough for Brahmins. They are somewhat particular about the appointments they get.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* There were no applications, perhaps.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* How long will it take for fresh appointments to be made?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I want notice.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* If it will take an indefinite period, will the Government reconsider the matter and pass an order that hereafter at least only fresh hands from such of the communities who have no representation should be appointed till the disparity is removed?

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* Will the Government be pleased to dismiss some?

4. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) the number of hands whose pay is charged to the establishment, including Manager, Demonstrators, Store clerk, Menials of all denominations of the Government Central Farm, Ollukkara;

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(*b*) pay that will have to be disbursed to these persons in a year ;

(*c*) will they further be pleased to give a caste-war list of those employees ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) 37.

(*b*) Rs. 8,100.

(*c*) *Statement appended.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Why was the Paraya displaced by a Pulaya?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I am sorry, it is a mistake. It ought to be Paraya.

APPOINTMENTS ON Rs. 25 AND BELOW IN AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT—CASTE-WAR LIST

5. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of permanent hands whose pay is Rs. 25 or below including peons, maistries, etc., in the Agricultural Department in all its branches, *i.e.*, Office Establishment, Temporary Establishment, Field Staff, Central Farm, Agricultural School, Horticultural School, Seed and Manure Depot, Gardens, Gardens attached to Residential quarters, Cocoanut Station, Marketing scheme, Avenues, Veterinary, etc

(*b*) of these how many belong to each of the following (communal) groups.—

(1) Ezhuvas
(2) Nayars
(3) Other Hindus (including Ambalavasis, of course)
(4) Other Hindus (Backward & Depressed)
(5) Christians
(6) Muslims
(7) Pulayas
(8) Brahmins
(9) Jews
(10) Other communities not included in the above classification

*Appendix I

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APPENDICES

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(Please see answer to question No. 4)

STATEMENT OF APPOINTMENTS—GOVERNMENT CENTRAL FARM—OLLUKKARA

Serial No.	*Caste*	*No. in each community*
1	Nayars	23
2	Ezhuvas	3
3	Pulaya	1
4	Christians.	4
5	Muslim	1
6	*Other Hindus* (Backward)	
	Ezhuthassan	3
	Veluthedan	1
	Chetty	1

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